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February 14, 2005
DateIN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Motoshi ITO et al.

Serial No.: 09/689,533

Filing Date: October 12, 2000

For: INFORMATION UPDATE COUNT MANAGING METHOD,
 INFORMATION UPDATE COUNT MANAGING APPARATUS,
 CONTENTS USAGE COUNT MANAGING METHOD, AND CONTENTS
 USAGE COUNT STORING APPARATUS

Examiner: Zhuo H. Li

Art Unit: 2186

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 12, 2004

Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully
 requested in view of the following amendments and comments.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee for one additional
 independent claim and two total additional claims to Deposit Account No. 18-0988
 (Docket No. YAMAP0741US).

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UPDATE COUNT MANAGING APPARATUS, CONTENTS USAGE COUNT
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APPARATUSREQUEST FOR REFUNDRefunds Branch
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The undersigned respectfully requests a refund of \$100.00 from one erroneous charge appearing on the March 2005 statement for Deposit Account No. 18-0988 in relation to the above-identified application. Please credit the refund for the following fees to Deposit Account No. 18-0988:

Date	Fee Code	Fee	Fee Amount	Paid	Refund
03/02/2005	1201	One (1) Independent claim in excess of three	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$0.00
03/02/2005	1201 (should be 1202)	Two (2) Claims in excess of twenty (\$50 per claim)	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$100.00
Total Refund Requested					\$100.00

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EXPLANATION OF WHY CONTESTED CHARGES ARE IN ERROR

The charge listed above corresponds to a Response to Office Action Dated November 12, 2004 authorizing payment from Deposit Account 18-0988 for one (1) additional independent claim (in excess of three) and two (2) additional claims (in excess of twenty) for a total fee of \$300.00. The charge is believed to be in error because Fee Code 1201, "Independent claims in excess of three", was mistakenly charged two (2) times on March 2, 2005 in the amount of \$200.00 each for a total of \$400.00 *instead* of Fee Code 1201 in the amount of \$200.00 for one (1) additional independent claim (in excess of three) **PLUS** Fee Code 1202 in the amount of \$100.00 for two (2) additional claims (in excess of twenty) for a total of \$300.00 for additional claims, not \$400.00 as charged.

For this reason the undersigned respectfully requests a refund in the amount of \$100.00 for the fees charged for this application to Account 18-0988 on March 2, 2005, regarding a one (1) additional independent claim in excess of three **PLUS** two (2) additional claims in excess of twenty. Enclosed is a copy of the Response to the Office Action, with a copy of the Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission report showing the Response to the Office Action to have been transferred on February 14, 2005. Further enclosed is a copy of the Deposit Account Statement for March 2005 for Account 18-0988 showing the fee charged against the account on March 2, 2005. Consequently, the charge for two independent claims was in error, and a refund of \$100.00 is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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Deposit Account Statement

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**Deposit Account Statement**

Requested Statement Month: March 2005
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DATE	SEQ	POSTING REF TXT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NBR	FEE CODE	AMT	BAL
03/01	86	11043874	LUMIP0142US	8021	\$40.00	\$5,352.56
03/02	9	5247767		9204	-\$1,900.00	\$7,252.56
03/02	28	09689533	YAMAP0741US	1201	\$400.00	\$6,852.56
03/02	81	11053985	MARBP0175US	8021	\$40.00	\$6,812.56
03/02	152	11032943	FUKAPO104US	8021	\$40.00	\$6,772.56
03/02	1303	78363123	SCHET0107US	7001	\$650.00	\$6,122.56
03/03	8	10325575	AVERP3365US	1251	\$120.00	\$6,002.56
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03/03	87	11006400		8021	\$40.00	\$5,937.56
03/04	1	09124694	MCNEP0108USA	1251	\$120.00	\$5,817.56
03/04	4	11057555	KOMOP0101US	8021	\$40.00	\$5,777.56
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03/04	165	11043870	03W159	8021	\$40.00	\$5,657.56
03/07	1	PCT/US04/12222	GRCBP317WO	8007	\$20.00	\$5,637.56
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03/07	136	10919567		8021	\$40.00	\$5,557.56
03/08	338	11040246	ABACP0104USA	8021	\$40.00	\$5,517.56
03/09	3	09597370	E0877	1251	\$120.00	\$5,397.56
03/09	6	09662045	SCHWP0129US	1252	\$450.00	\$4,947.56
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03/09	325	102755	GRWBG0225	8010	\$25.00	\$3,707.56
03/10	2	09489171	DOLJP103WOUS	1252	\$450.00	\$3,257.56
03/10	2	09933881		1401	\$500.00	\$2,757.56
03/10	3	09933881		1251	\$120.00	\$2,637.56

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USPTO Fee Schedule, effective December 8, 2004

Fee Code	37 CFR	Description	Fee	Small Entity Fee (if applicable)
Patent Application Filing Fees				
1011/2011	1.16(a)(1)	Basic filing fee - Utility <i>filed on or after December 8, 2004</i>	300.00	150.00
4011†	1.16(a)(1)	Basic filing fee - Utility (electronic filing for small entities) <i>filed on or after December 8, 2004</i>	n/a	75.00
1001/2001	1.16(a)(2)	Basic filing fee - Utility <i>filed before December 8, 2004</i>	790.00	395.00
1201/2201	1.16(h)	Independent claims in excess of three	200.00	100.00
1202/2202	1.16(i)	Claims in excess of twenty	50.00	25.00
1203/2203	1.16(j)	Multiple dependent claim	360.00	180.00
1051/2051	1.16(f)	Surcharge - Late filing fee or oath or declaration	130.00	65.00
1081/2081	1.16(s)	Utility Application Size Fee - for each additional 50 sheets that exceeds 100 sheets	250.00	125.00
1012/2012	1.16(b)(1)	Basic filing fee - Design <i>filed on or after December 8, 2004</i>	200.00	100.00
1002/2002	1.16(b)(2)	Basic filing fee - Design <i>filed before December 8, 2004</i>	350.00	175.00
1017/2017	1.16(b)(1)	Basic filing fee - Design (CPA) <i>filed on or after December 8, 2004</i>	200.00	100.00
1007/2007	1.16(b)(2)	Basic filing fee - Design (CPA) <i>filed before December 8, 2004</i>	350.00	175.00
1082/2082	1.16(s)	Design Application Size Fee - for each additional 50 sheets that exceeds 100 sheets	250.00	125.00
1013/2013	1.16(c)(1)	Basic filing fee - Plant <i>filed on or after December 8, 2004</i>	200.00	100.00
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